

ATTEST:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND
Meeting No. 10-88

March 3, 1988

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in Work Session in the Boards and Commissions Room, Rockville City Hall, Maryland at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on Thursday, March 3, 1988, at 7:35 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Douglas M. Duncan

Councilman Steve Abrams
(arrived at 7:55 pm)

Councilman James Coyle
(arrived at 7:55 pm)
(left at 9:30 pm)

Councilwoman Viola Hovsepian

Councilman David Robbins

The Mayor in the Chair.

In attendance: City Clerk Helen M. Heneghan, Acting City Manager Rick Kuckkahn, and City Attorney Paul Glasgow.

Members of the Mayor and Council met with members of Rockville Sister City, Incorporated. Present for Sister City, Inc., were Chairman Brigitta Mullican and members Leah Barnett, Frank Heneghan, Lorine Coyle, Marilyn Freeland, Tom Hassell, Dick Knorpp, Peter Hartogensis, and Chana Patrician.

The Sister City, Inc. members reported to the Mayor and Council on their activities this past year, the highlight of which was the 30th anniversary celebration and the exchange of visits, whereby Rockville citizens traveled to Pinneberg and the City hosted several Pinneberg citizens. A Pinneberg student will be attending school in Rockville during the next school year, and it is the hope of the group that this type of exchange can be continued. Although the Chairman of the Commission suggested that Rockville entertain visitors

from other sister cities in Germany, since it was not agreed upon by other members of the group, it was the Mayor and Council's feelings that this should be worked out within the organization.

A budget was presented to the Council for 1988 that totaled \$2,440.00. The commission also requested the Mayor and Council consider additional city staff to service the commission.

The Mayor and Council thanked the members of the commission for their work with the City.

Re: Work Session - Rockville Pike

The Mayor and Council continued it's Work Session on the Rockville Pike Plan. Since the staff had been asked to demonstrate how the Rockville Pike plan addresses the 1985 Mayor and Council objectives, the following are the goals that were listed:

To encourage the continued economic growth and vitality of the Rockville Pike Corridor.

To emphasize the need for a balanced transportation system that encourages all modes of transportation.

To expand the retail, office and residential bases affording opportunities to all Rockville residents.

To promote a stronger sense of identity for this area as the commercial main street of the City.

These objectives are further detailed in the policy section. It is the policies that will be compared with the Plan's recommendation in the following outline:

1. Protect existing residential areas and adjacent neighborhoods from encroachment of commercial land use, excessive traffic, unlawful noise and

pollution.

2. Foster an adequate supply of convenience retail activities to serve residents of the corridor and local neighborhoods.

3. Encourage mixed and/or multiple use development opportunities to promote combined residential, retail, employment and entertainment centers within the corridor.

4. Encourage cooperation between businesses and residents to support the goal.

5. Encourage excellence in urban design and architecture through the review of all projects to make them stand out as an overall statement of the quality and vitality for this area of the City.

6. Develop through the comprehensive planning process, a plan that would address the traffic and transportation problems created by influences both inside and outside the City.

7. Aggressively monitor and seek to influence actions/discussions by the County/State that impact on the Corridor's planned highway capacity and development.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council in Work Session, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m. to convene again in Work Session on Monday, March 7, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.